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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.191, Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final rejection of claims 1-40 of the above-identified application, as set forth in the Office Action mailed October 22, 2002.

Our check in the amount of \$320.00 is enclosed to cover the required fee for filing this Notice of Appeal as set forth under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b).

Also enclosed is a Petition for one-month extension of time to respond to the final rejection, thereby extending said period of response from January 22, 2003 to February 22, 2003.

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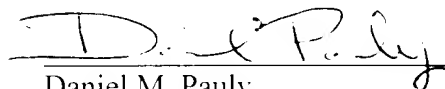
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